

**CITY/COUNTY ASSOCIATION OF GOVERNMENTS
LEGISLATIVE COMMITTEE**

**MEETING MINUTES
November 18, 2010**

At 5:35 P.M. Vic Chair Deborah Gordon called the meeting to order in the Second Floor Auditorium at the San Mateo Transit District Office.

Committee Members Attending:

Jerry Carlson (City of Atherton)
Deborah Gordon (Town of Woodside)
Tom Kasten (Town of Hillsborough)
Linda Koelling (City of Foster City)
David Lin (City of San Mateo)
Kevin Mullin (City of South San Francisco)
Mary Ann Nihart (City of Pacifica)
Irene O'Connell (City of San Bruno)
Gina Papan (City of Millbrae)

Guests or Staff Attending:

Richard Napier (C/CAG Executive Director)
Jim Bigelow (Redwood City Chamber of Commerce)
Chuck Cole (by phone)
Gus Khouri (Advocation – by phone)
John Hoang (C/CAG Staff)
Sandy Wong (C/CAG Staff)

1. Public comment on items not on the agenda.

None.

2. Approval of Minutes.

Legislative Committee Minutes for the meeting of September 16 2010 were approved by acclamation.

3. Briefing from Advocation.

The Legislative Committee received and discussed a briefing from Chuck Cole and Gus Khouri Advocation, C/CAG's lobbyists in Sacramento. The Legislature passed a State \$86.6 billion budget on 8 November. The budget included \$4.1 billion in revenue solutions in a package that closed a \$19.3 billion budget gap. The "gas tax swap" approved earlier by the Legislature remained largely intact (eliminating the sales tax on gasoline and replacing it with a 17.3 cent increase in the excise tax) in the approved

budget. Due to a projected deficit of \$6 billion for the remainder of Fiscal Year 2010-2011 and \$19 billion for Fiscal Year 2011-2012, the Governor is expected to call for a Special Session of the Legislature to meet in early December.

The implications of passage of Proposition 26 were not yet entirely clear. One possible effect, however, may be repeal of the gas tax swap effective November 2011. The passage of Proposition 25, which lowers the requirement for passage of a State budget down from two-thirds to a simple majority, but does not change the two-thirds required to raise taxes, may not expedite passage of a State budget after all since a two-thirds vote would still be required to raise taxes.

4. Legislative Priorities.

Richard Napier noted that the proposed draft 2011 C/CAG Legislative Priorities would be included in the December 9, 2010 C/CAG Legislative Committee packet.

5. Establish Date and Time for Next Meeting.

December 9, 2010 at 5:30 PM Second Floor Auditorium at the San Mateo Transit District Office unless otherwise announced was selected.

None.

6. Adjournment.

The meeting adjourned at 6.25 PM.